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DIAL-A-GARDEN FOR Nov. & Dec. 2011

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| 101 | Nov. & Dec. Schedule. |
| 102 | Planting Hardy Bulbs. |
| 103 | Read MSU Horticulture Newsletter Online. |
| 104 | Give garden tools a fall cleaning. |
| 105 | Digging & storing summer flower bulbs. |
| 201 | Winter protection of trees, shrubs and tender plants. |
| 202 | Choosing and care of Christmas Trees. |
| 203 | De-icing sidewalks. |
| 204 | Home invading pests. |
| 205 | Overwintering houseplants: watering and humidity. |
| 301 | Autumn garden clean-up. |
| 302 | Lawn fertilizing & late fall fertilization. |
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| 304 | Caring for Holiday plants. |
| 305 | Amaryllis |
| 401 | Feeding the birds. |
| 402 | Ash Tree Alert. |
| 403 | Insect & Disease Diagnostic Services. |
| 404 | Tips on selecting an arborist. |
| 405 | Don't prune Oaks due to Oak Wilt. |